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(rebate\$) near19 (Internet\$) near15 purchas\$	1

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File: USPT

Apr 24, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6223168

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6223168 B1

TITLE: Automatic remittance delivery system

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image
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**2. Document ID: US 5893080 A**

L4: Entry 2 of 3

File: USPT

Apr 6, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5893080

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5893080 A

TITLE: Disbursement system and method

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image
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**3. Document ID: CA 2177448 A**

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File: DWPI

Dec 3, 1996

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1997-298654

DERWENT-WEEK: 199728

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TITLE: Computerised discount for credit card based purchasing system - involves recording product purchase transaction and associated discount on computer with designated agent receiving portion of discount

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Clip Img	Image
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File: USPT

Apr 6, 1999

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5893080 A

TITLE: Disbursement system and method

**BSPR:**

Unfortunately, none of the aforesaid prior art permits fully automated payment disbursement according to user-predefined criteria, such as, disbursement financial account (e.g., bank or investment account number and type of account) and manner of payment (e.g., whether disbursement is to be made by hard-copy magnetic Ink Character Recognizable (MICR) negotiable instrument or by EFT) for different types of disbursements to be made (e.g., payments to suppliers, rebates, taxes, etc.), and individual disbursement requests (e.g., including such information as disbursement amount, intended payee, etc.). Additionally, none of the aforesaid prior art provides fully automated diagnostic means for monitoring whether the system is functioning properly and for preventing improper disbursements from taking place.

L5 ANSWER 8 OF 11 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:12923 USPATFULL

TITLE: System for controlling the distribution and use of digital works having attached usage rights where the usage rights are defined by a usage rights grammar

INVENTOR(S): Stefik, Mark J., Woodside, CA, United States

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Xerox Corporation, Stamford, CT, United States (U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 5715403		19980203
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1994-344041		19941123 (8)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted		
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Pan, Daniel H.		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Domingo, Richard B.		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	28		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	20 Drawing Figure(s); 13 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	3345		

DETD . . . used to specify a best-price that is determined when the account is settled. This specification is to accommodate special deals, **rebates**, and pricing that depends on information that is not available to the repository. All fee specifications can be combined

with tickets or **authorizations** that could indicate that the consumer is a wholesaler or that he is a preferred customer, or that the seller. . .

NCL NCLM: 705/044.000

NCLS: 705/054.000; 705/057.000; 709/229.000; 713/202.000



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1. Document ID: US 6330544 B1

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File: USPT

Dec 11, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6330544

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6330544 B1

TITLE: System and process for issuing and managing forced redemption vouchers having alias account numbers

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference
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RMIC	Draw Desc	Image
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2. Document ID: US 5056019 A

LB: Entry 2 of 3

File: USPT

Oct 8, 1991

US-PAT-NO: 5056019

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5056019 A

TITLE: Automated purchase reward accounting system and method

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference
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RMIC	Draw Desc	Image
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L13 ANSWER 8 OF 12 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:42116 USPATFULL  
TITLE: Bidding for energy supply  
INVENTOR(S): Johnson, Jack J., Summit, NJ, United States  
Coyle, William F., Summit, NJ, United States  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Geophonic Networks, Inc., Summit, NJ, United States  
(U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 6047274		20000404
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1998-23968		19980213 (9)

	NUMBER	DATE
PRIORITY INFORMATION:	US 1997-39041	19970224 (60)
	US 1997-64421	19971030 (60)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility	
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted	
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Cosimano, Edward R.	
ASSISTANT EXAMINER:	Edge, William Brian	
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Friedman, Allen N. McCarter & English, LLP	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	44	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1	
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	16 Drawing Figure(s); 16 Drawing Page(s)	
LINE COUNT:	1833	

DETD . . . being most usual is the rate (amount of money charged per unit of energy). However, many other kinds of economic **incentive** may be **offered**, such as a credit toward other **services** (e.g., frequent flyer points) or a credit toward an additional **rebate** that may be **offered** if a user's energy usage for a given period rises above a threshold. The economic **incentive** could be a combination of rate and another incentive. But the economic incentive should be selected from a limited set. . . .

NCL NCLM: 705/412.000  
NCLS: 705/010.000; 705/400.000



L13 ANSWER 9 OF 12 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:167965 USPATFULL  
TITLE: Bidding for telecommunications traffic over route segments  
INVENTOR(S): Johnson, Jack J., Summit, NJ, United States  
Coyle, William F., Summit, NJ, United States  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Summit Telecom Systems, Inc., Summit, NJ, United States  
(U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 6005925		19991221
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1998-10609		19980122 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1997-804542, filed on 24 Feb 1997, now abandoned And Ser. No. US 1998-3170, filed on 6 Jan 1998		

	NUMBER	DATE
PRIORITY INFORMATION:	US 1997-68888	19971226 (60)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility	
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted	
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Loomis, Paul	
ASSISTANT EXAMINER:	Barnie, Rexford N	
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Friedman, Allen N. McCarter & English L.L.C.	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	36	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	15	
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	11 Drawing Figure(s); 11 Drawing Page(s)	
LINE COUNT:	1130	
DETD	. . . being most usual is the rate (amount of money charged per unit of time). However, many other kinds of economic <b>incentives</b> may be <b>offered</b> , such as a credit toward other <b>services</b> or a credit toward an additional <b>rebate</b> that may be <b>offered</b> if a user's traffic for a given month (or that of another telecommunications carrier reselling, for example, a Carrier's service. . . .	
NCL	NCLM: 379/115.020 NCLS: 379/114.020; 379/115.010	

L13 ANSWER 12 OF 12 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 97:16747 USPATFULL  
TITLE: Bidding for telecommunications traffic  
INVENTOR(S): Johnson, Jack J., Summit, NJ, United States  
Coyle, William F., Summit, NJ, United States  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Summit Telecom Systems, Inc., Summit, NJ, United States  
(U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 5606602		19970225
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1995-553889		19951106 (8)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted		
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Kuntz, Curtis		
ASSISTANT EXAMINER:	Shankar, Vijay		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Friedman, Allen N.		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	47		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	7 Drawing Figure(s); 7 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	871		

DETD . . . being most usual is the rate (amount of money charged per unit of time). However, many other kinds of economic **incentive** may be **offered**, such as a credit toward other **services** (e.g., frequent flyer points) or a credit toward an additional **rebate** that may be **offered** if a user's traffic for a given month rises above a threshold. The economic **incentive** could be a combination of rate and another incentive. But the economic incentive should be selected from a limited set. . .

NCL NCLM: 379/114.020  
NCLS: 379/114.010; 379/114.060; 379/114.080; 379/115.010; 379/127.060;  
379/133.000; 379/134.000; 379/207.030; 379/221.020; 379/243.000



L5 ANSWER 2 OF 11 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:161149 USPATFULL

TITLE: System for controlling the distribution and use of digital works using digital tickets

INVENTOR(S): Stefik, Mark J., Portola Valley, CA, United States  
Pirolli, Peter L., El Cerrito, CA, United States

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 2001023417	A1	20010920
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 2001-777845	A1	20010207 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Division of Ser. No. US 1997-967084, filed on 10 Nov 1997, GRANTED, Pat. No. US 6236971 Continuation of Ser.		
	No. US 1994-344760, filed on 23 Nov 1994, ABANDONED		
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	APPLICATION		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	NIXON PEABODY, LLP, 8180 GREENSBORO DRIVE, SUITE 800, MCLEAN, VA, 22102		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	14		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	13 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	3286		
DETD	. . . used to specify a best-price that is determined when the account is settled. This specification is to accommodate special deals, <b>rebates</b> , and pricing that depends on information that is not available to the repository. All fee specifications can be combined with tickets or <b>authorizations</b> that could indicate that the consumer is a wholesaler or that he is a preferred customer, or that the seller. . .		
NCL	NCLM: 705/057.000		
	NCLS: 705/051.000; 705/053.000		

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 2001023417	A1	20010920
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 2001-777845	A1	20010207 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Division of Ser. No. US 1997-967084, filed on 10 Nov 1997, GRANTED, Pat. No. US 6236971 Continuation of Ser.		
	No. US 1994-344760, filed on 23 Nov 1994, ABANDONED		
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	APPLICATION		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	NIXON PEABODY, LLP, 8180 GREENSBORO DRIVE, SUITE 800, MCLEAN, VA, 22102		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	14		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	13 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	3286		
DETD	used to specify a best-price that is determined when the account is settled. This specification is to accommodate special deals, <b>rebates</b> , and pricing that depends on information that is not available to the repository. All fee specifications can be combined with tickets or <b>authorizations</b> that could indicate that the consumer is a wholesaler or that he is a preferred customer, or that the seller.		
NCL	NCLM: 705/057.000		
	NCLS: 705/051.000; 705/053.000		

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L5 ANSWER 3 OF 11 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:134432 USPATFULL  
 TITLE: System for controlling the distribution and use of digital works using digital tickets  
 INVENTOR(S): Stefik, Mark J., Portola Valley, CA, United States  
 Pirolli, Peter L., El Cerrito, CA, United States

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 2001014882	A1	20010816
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 2001-778001	A1	20010207 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Division of Ser. No. US 1997-967084, filed on 10 Nov 1997, GRANTED, Pat. No. US 6236971 Continuation of Ser.		
	No. US 1994-344760, filed on 23 Nov 1994, ABANDONED		
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	APPLICATION		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	NIXON PEABODY, LLP, 8180 GREENSBORO DRIVE, SUITE 800, MCLEAN, VA, 22102		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	14		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	9 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	3290		
DETD	used to specify a best-price that is determined when the account is settled. This specification is to accommodate special deals, <b>rebates</b> , and pricing that depends on information that is not available to the repository. All fee specifications can be combined with		



tickets or **authorizations** that could indicate that the  
consumer is a wholesaler or that he is a preferred customer, or that  
the  
seller. . .  
NCL NCLM: 705/051.000

L5 ANSWER 7 OF 11 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:48331 USPATFULL

TITLE: Method and apparatus for preauthorizing credit card type transactions

INVENTOR(S): Checchio, Robert Anthony, Dunellen, NJ, United States

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): AT&T Corp., New York, NY, United States (U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 6052675		20000418
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1998-63654		19980421 (9)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted		
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Stamber, Eric W.		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	28		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	3 Drawing Figure(s); 3 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	558		

DETD . . . step of providing a rebate or by including software or hardware

that can credit a rebate to an individual. The **rebate** is given to either a user or a vendor when the user or vendor conducts a transaction using the pre-**authorization** method or device. Thus, the credit card company, bank or other financial institution benefits from less risk of liability from. . .

NCL NCLM: 705/044.000  
NCLS: 705/039.000; 705/040.000

L13 ANSWER 6 OF 12 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:122262 USPATFULL  
TITLE: Bidding for telecommunications traffic with request  
for

service  
INVENTOR(S): Coyle, William F., Summit, NJ, United States  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Summit Telecom Systems, Inc., Summit, NJ, United  
States

(U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 6269157	B1	20010731
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 2000-548484		20000413 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 2000-537046, filed on 28 Mar 2000 Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1999-467274, filed on 20 Dec 1999 Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1999-313144, filed on 17 May 1999 Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1998-22720, filed on 12 Feb 1998 Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1998-10609, filed on 22 Jan 1998, now patented, Pat. No. US 6005925, issued on 21 Dec 1999, said Ser. No. US 467274 Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 10609 Continuation of Ser. No. US 1998-3170, filed on 6 Jan 1998, now patented, Pat. No. US 5917897 Continuation		

of

Ser. No. US 1997-804542, filed on 24 Feb 1997  
Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1995-553889, filed  
on 6 Nov 1995, now patented, Pat. No. US 5606602,  
issued on 25 Feb 1997

	NUMBER	DATE
PRIORITY INFORMATION:	US 1999-143914	19990714 (60)
	US 1997-68888	19971224 (60)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility	
FILE SEGMENT:	GRANTED	
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Kuntz, Curtis	
ASSISTANT EXAMINER:	Barnie, Rexford	
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Friedman, Allen N. McCarter & English LLP	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	55	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	20	
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	27 Drawing Figure(s); 27 Drawing Page(s)	
LINE COUNT:	2160	

DETD . . . being most usual is the rate (amount of money charged per unit  
of time). However, many other kinds of economic **incentive** may  
be **offered**, such as a credit toward other **services**  
or a credit toward an additional **rebate** that may be  
**offered** if a user's traffic for a given month (or that of  
another telecommunication **service provider**  
reselling, for example, a Carrier's service between two switching  
points

on that Carrier's telecommunications network facilities) rises above a  
threshold.. . .

NCL NCLM: 379/114.010



L5 ANSWER 9 OF 11 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 97:50480 USPATFULL

TITLE: System for controlling the distribution and use of composite digital works

INVENTOR(S): Stefik, Mark J., Woodside, CA, United States  
Bobrow, Daniel G., Palo Alto, CA, United States  
Pirolli, Peter L. T., El Cerrito, CA, United States

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Xerox Corporation, Stamford, CT, United States (U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 5638443		19970610
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1994-344776		19941123 (8)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted		
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Cangialosi, Salvatore		
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Domingo, Richard B.		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	24		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	20 Drawing Figure(s); 13 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	3302		

DETD . . . used to specify a best-price that is determined when the account is settled. This specification is to accommodate special deals, **rebates**, and pricing that depends on information that is not available to the repository. All fee specifications can be combined with tickets or **authorizations** that could indicate that the consumer is a wholesaler or that he is a preferred customer, or that the seller. . .

NCL NCLM: 705/054.000

L33 ANSWER 1 OF 1 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:29059 USPATFULL

TITLE: System and method to automatically provide an  
electronic consumer rebate

INVENTOR(S): Holda-Fleck, Marilyn A., Westfield, NJ, United States

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Lucent Technologies, Inc., Murray Hill, NJ, United  
States (U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 5729693		19980317
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1996-781177		19960503 (8)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Continuation of Ser. No. US 1993-174570, filed on 28 Dec 1993, now abandoned		
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility		
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted		
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Weinhardt, Robert A.		
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	14		
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1		
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	3 Drawing Figure(s); 3 Drawing Page(s)		
LINE COUNT:	537		

DETD . . . logic circuits 22 and 24 using the database 20 and are used as  
a means to provide security against rebate **fraud** or to  
indicate incorrect entry of the product code or serial number by the  
purchaser. For example, if the product code entered is non-existing, or  
if the **rebate offer** for that product has expired,  
then the **rebate** is disallowed and the call is terminated. In  
addition, if the serial number is bogus, or if the serial number. . .

NCL NCLM: 705/014.000  
NCLS: 379/093.120

L13 ANSWER 7 OF 12 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:175749 USPATFULL  
TITLE: Bidding for 800 telecommunications traffic  
INVENTOR(S): Johnson, Jack J., Summit, NJ, United States  
Coyle, William F., Summit, NJ, United States  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Summit Telecom Systems, Inc., Summit, NJ, United States  
(U.S. corporation)

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 6167124		20001226
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 1998-47654		19980325 (9)
RELATED APPLN. INFO.:	Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1998-22720, filed on 12 Feb 1998 which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1998-10609, filed on 22 Jan 1998, now patented, Pat. No. US 6005925, issued on 21 Dec 1999 And a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1997-804542, filed on 24 Feb 1997 And a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1998-3170, filed on 6 Jan 1998, now patented, Pat. No. US 5917897, said Ser. No. US 804542 which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. US 1995-553889, filed on 6 Nov 1995, now patented, Pat. No. US 5606602, issued on 25 Feb 1997		

	NUMBER	DATE
PRIORITY INFORMATION:	US 1997-41673	19970326 (60)
	US 1997-68888	19971224 (60)
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Utility	
FILE SEGMENT:	Granted	
PRIMARY EXAMINER:	Nguyen, Duc	
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Friedman, Allen N.McCarter & English, LLP	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	22	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	16	
NUMBER OF DRAWINGS:	23 Drawing Figure(s); 23 Drawing Page(s)	
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DETD . . . being most usual is the rate (amount of money charged per unit of time). However, many other kinds of economic **incentive** may be **offered**, such as a credit toward other **services** (e.g., frequent flyer points) or a credit toward an additional **rebate** that may be **offered** if a user's traffic for a given month (or that of another telecommunications **service provider** reselling, for example, a participating Carrier's service) rises above a threshold. The economic **incentive** could be a combination of rate and another incentive. But the economic incentive should be selected from a limited set. . . .

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TITLE: Mall promotion network apparatus and method

**DEPR:**

The present invention is a Mall Promotion Network Computer System and Method. The Mall Promotion Network automates marketing campaigns and advertising. When located in a mall, or similar retail area, the Mall Promotion Network will control sweepstakes, frequent buyer and other similar frequency programs, discount coupons, prizes, give-aways, rebates, and, of course, visual advertising.

**DEPR:**

In national sweepstakes promotions, national "Fortune 500" companies and other organizations would use the Mall Promotion Network to distribute prize notifications and advertise to attract customers to their products. A direct mail campaign distributes magnetic or bar code cards (similar to credit cards) to selected customers in the geographic vicinity of a retail mall or similar shopping area. These customers would bring the cards to the Mall Promotion Network kiosk located at a mall and scan their cards through a card reader. If the customer has a winning number, they would be awarded a prize. If the customer doesn't win a prize, they might still be awarded a coupon or discount for merchandise.

**DEPR:**

It is envisioned that the Mall Promotion Network could award coupons or prizes based on the number of visits the amount of the purchases the customer makes to the mall or retail outlet where the present invention is located. The Mall Promotion Network would track the frequency of the card scans and award coupons, discounts, rebates, or prizes based on a schedule and the number of visits. If the card is scanned at the same time that a chat is scanned, the Mall Promotion Network could track the number of visits or by the customer purchases and award prizes on this basis as well.

**DEPR:**

The Mall Promotion Network can issue rebate tickets to customers upon request. Thus, it is possible to electronically transmit the rebate to the manufacturers thereby eliminating the need for the user to mail the rebate form.

**DEPR:**

FIGS. 35A and 35B combined are a flow chart describing the functions of the display item routine. The display item routine starts (830) when executed by the order processing routine as described in FIG. 34 (824). Passed as a parameter to this routine is the item picture name 1032, as described in FIG. 47, for the item selected by the customer. The item picture is displayed on the monitor 14 (832). The read touch screen touch routine is executed to await user input (834). Upon completion of the read touch screen routine, it must be determined whether the customer entered a selection or whether the timer expired (836). If the timer expired (836), then the display item routine

terminates (870). If the customer entered a command, then the type of command must be determined. If the "previous" command is entered (840), the "previous" flag is set and the display item routine terminates (870). In all other cases, it is assumed that the customer selected an item to order (844). A message is displayed on the monitor 14 asking for insertion into the card reader 24 of the customer's credit card (846). The card reader routine is then executed (848). The card expiration date must first be examined (852). If the card has expired (852), the appropriate message is displayed on the monitor 14 (850). If the card is valid (852), the order transaction is written to the order file (854, 860 and 864), and the display item routine terminates (870). The structure of the order file is described in FIG. 43. Each order file record 1006 includes the credit card number 1008, the customer name 1010, the item number 1012, and the item price 1014. If an error occurs during the order file processing (856), an appropriate message is displayed on the monitor 14 (858) and a message is written to the error file (862, 866, and 868).



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TITLE: Mail promotion network apparatus and method

**DEPR:**

The Mail Promotion Network can issue rebate tickets to customers upon request. Thus, it is possible to electronically transmit the rebate to the manufacturers thereby eliminating the need for the user to mail the rebate form.